

# Journalism Department



# Fire Chief Academy



# Mountaineer Boys State:



# A Look Back





# AUTOGRAPHS

## 2010 MBS Bank Staff



## 2010 National Guardsmen



**Adjutant General John Michael Davis**

John Michael Davis was appointed Adjutant (Major) General of the National Guard while at Boys State. He is from Berkeley County, WV, and resided in Upshur County at Boys State. John says, "If others believe in you, the only way you can fail them is to not believe in yourself." He would tell the next Adjutant General to remember to have fun, but always think ahead and have a plan."

# State Police and Conservation Officers



## Colonel Jared Pagne

Jared Pagne was selected as the Colonel of the Department of Natural Resources this week at the 73<sup>rd</sup> annual Mountaineer Boys' State. While at MBS, Pagne stayed in the Randolph Cottage. Originally from Putnam County, Pagne served as the Colonel of the Department of Natural Resources. According to Pagne, his personal quote or motto is "carpe diem," or, translated from Latin, "seize the day." His advice to the next Colonel of the Department of Natural Resources is to "make sure to do whatever your officers tell you and make sure you take charge."

## Superintendent of State Police James Lanham

James Lanham was selected as head of the State Police this week at the 73<sup>rd</sup> annual Mountaineer Boys' State. While at MBS, Lanham stayed in Monongalia Cottage. Originally from Upshur County, Lanham served the head of the State Police Division this week. According to Lanham, his personal quote or motto is "The difference between a pessimist and a realist is that a realist is optimistic enough to not call himself a pessimist." His advice for the next Superintendent of State Police, or what he'd tell the next person to do differently in his position, is to "be organized and take command eagerly and efficiently."

DVDs highlighting the week can still be ordered.  
For more information, go to the MBS web site at  
[www.mountaineerboysstate.org](http://www.mountaineerboysstate.org)

# 2010 MBS Governor



## Governor George W. Capel

George Capel won the office of Governor in General elections this week, and has been in charge of, in principle, all of MBS. George came to MBS from Wood County, and was a citizen in Kanawha cottage. He had a part in much of the MBS business politically, and also had a quote for this 73<sup>rd</sup> Boys State. "Money can't buy happiness; however, it can make you very comfortable in your unhappiness." He also had a specific piece of advice for the next Governor of Boys State, "Don't wait until 20 minutes before the ceremony to write your inauguration speech."



# State Elected Officials



**Attorney General Aleksandr Fedyszyn**

Aleksandr Fedyszyn won the position of Attorney General this week at the 73<sup>rd</sup> annual Mountaineer Boys' State. While at MBS, Fedyszyn stayed in the Barbour Cottage. Originally from Ohio County, Fedyszyn served as the Attorney General. According to Fedyszyn, his personal quote or motto is, "Leave the world a better place for your having been in it." His advice to the next attorney General is to "work as hard as you possibly can. Give every task full commitment. Don't compromise your beliefs or morals to do the popular thing. I didn't and I feel all the richer for it."

**State Superintendent of Schools Ansh Kumar**

Ansh Kumar was appointed to the position of State Superintendent of Schools this week at the 73<sup>rd</sup> annual Mountaineer Boys State. While at MBS, Kumar stayed in Monroe Cottage. Originally from Kanawha County, Kumar served as the head of the Mountaineer Boys State School. System. According to Kumar, his personal quote or motto is, "When asked why, ask why not." His advice for the next State Superintendent of Schools, or what he would tell the next person to do differently in this position, is "Plan to make a schedule of when to deal with the county boards of education and when to meet with the board of public works."

**Auditor Luke Miller**

Luke was elected to the position of Auditor this week at the 73<sup>rd</sup> annual Mountain Boy's State. He had a very close race for this position. He is from Putnam County and is in Lewis County here at MBS. "Give me liberty, or give me death!" That is one of his favorite quotes. He says that anyone thinking about taking this position next year should take more time to research the position.

# 2010 MBS Cottage Photos



**Webster Cottage**

# 2010 Party Chairmen

**Federalist Party Chairman Jacob Merinar**

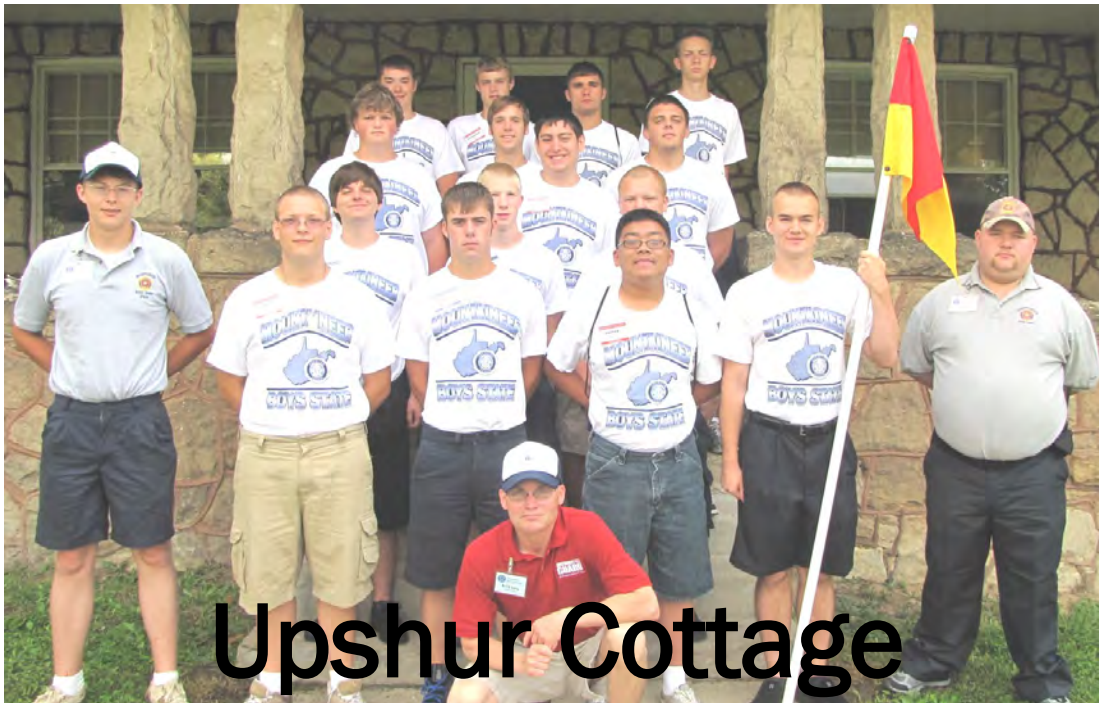
Jacob Merinar earned the Federalist Party Chair this week at the 73<sup>rd</sup> annual Mountaineer Boys' State. While at MBS, Merinar stayed at Randolph. Originally from Harrison county, Sperry served as a speaker or leader for the Federalist Party meetings this week, before and after the elections. Jacob's quote for this week is "I dwell in possibility", a quote by Emily Dickinson. His advice for the next Federalist Chairman, or what he would tell the next person to do differently in his position, is to "work hard", "never be afraid to speak up". "You need to lead with a firm hand but you must remain personable, and remember it's not about you, it's about your party."

**Nationalist Party Chairman Isaac Graham**

Isaac Graham was selected as head of the Nationalist Party this week at the 73<sup>rd</sup> annual Mountaineer Boys' State. While at MBS, Lanham stayed in Braxton cottage. Originally from Tyler County, Graham served the head of the Nationalist Party Division this week. According to Graham, his personal quote or motto is "It's not what you know, or who you know, but who knows you." His advice for the next Nationalist Party Chairman, or what he'd tell the next person to do differently in his position, is to "be dedicated. This position required time. Start planning conventions as soon as you get here. Be different in the way you portray your party, but always stay serious. Enforce that your platform gets passed in legislation. Represent your party properly, and you'll get the votes you need. Be proud to be a part of the party, and get your party excited."



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## Supreme Court Justice Gardiner Smith

Gardiner Smith was elected to the Supreme Court of Appeals. He is from Kanawha County, WV, and resided in Monongalia County at Boys State. Gardiner's words of wisdom are, "Always lead by example." He said he would tell the next Supreme Court Justice to make sure he remembers that his job as a judge is not to judge based on morality, but to judge based on the Constitution.

## Supreme Court Justice Sanat Moningi

Sanat Moningi won the position of Supreme Court Justice this week at the 73<sup>rd</sup> annual Mountain-eer Boys' State. While at MBS, Moningi stayed in Marion Cottage. Originally from Kanawha County, Moningi served as one of five justices this week. According to Moningi, his personal quote or motto is "Courage is the discovery that you may not win, and trying when you know you can lose." His advice for the next Supreme Court Justice, or what he'd tell the next person to do differently in his position, is "I would tell them to ask good questions to the people who petition for appeals. They should also read old U.S. Supreme Court case summaries such as Matt vs. Ohio.

## Supreme Court Justice Grayson Sperry

Grayson Sperry won the position of Supreme Court Justice this week at the 73<sup>rd</sup> annual Mountain-eer Boys' State. While at MBS, Sperry stayed in Panhandle Cottage. Originally from Harrison County, Sperry served as one of five justices this week. According to Sperry, his personal quote or motto is "Do your best. God will do the rest." His advice for the next Supreme Court justice, or what he'd tell the next person to do differently in his position, is to "lock the door on the fridge."

## Supreme Court Justice Clayton Davis

Clayton Davis won the position of Supreme Court Justice this week at the 73<sup>rd</sup> annual Mountain-eer Boys' State. While at MBS, Davis stayed in Panhandle Cottage. Originally from Monongalia County, Davis served as one of five justices this week. According to Davis, his personal quote or motto is "I will slap injustice in the face!" His advice for the next Supreme Court Justice, or what he'd tell the next person to do differently in his position, is "Have a nickname so people will remember you! Stay calm when you are speaking, go up and talk to people individually. Show that you have the desire and substance and that the people should choose you, and if you do this, you will be fine.

## Supreme Court Justice Brennan Wood

Brennan Wood was elected to a Supreme Court Justice office, and has worked this week with other Supreme Court Justices to hear cases and handle certain judicial matters. Brennan came to MBS from Greenbrier County, and was in the Panhandle cottage. His quote for this 73<sup>rd</sup> Boys State was to "shoot for the moon. If you miss, you'll land among the stars." He also had some advice for future Boys State Supreme Court Justices. "Get involved at Boys State and meet as many other people as you can. It will make your experience much better and will open up many opportunities that will allow you to have the time of your life. As a Supreme Court Justice, always rely on the constitution to make decisions and keep your mind open to both sides of the case."



### Commissioner of Agriculture Duncan Manor

Duncan Manor was elected as the Commissioner of Agriculture. He is from Berkeley County, WV, and he resided in Monroe Cottage while at Boys' State. Manor's words of wisdom includes, "a wise man once said: 'when you travel through your life and its endeavors, make sure that when you pass on to the promised land that you left this world a better place having you been in it.'" As well, his advice for the next person who assumes this role includes to follow the yearnings "until those yearning become reality. To not follow one's dreams because of fear is more failure than if to follow them and fail."

### Secretary of State Colin A. Winkie

Colin A. Winkie was elected as Secretary of State at Boys State. He lives in Harrison County, WV, and resided in Monongalia County at Boys State. Colin shares his wisdom with us by saying, "Look at every situation optimistically as a once in a lifetime experience. Everything is a once in a lifetime opportunity, so we should treat it as such." He would tell the next Secretary of State to be prepared but enthusiastic about the work he will do as Secretary of State.

### Treasurer Matthew Palmer

Matthew Palmer was elected to the position of Treasurer for Boys State, and handled financial issues for MBS with the Auditor. He originally came from Marshall County, and was a member of Monongalia cottage. His quote for this week was "Do everything you can today for tomorrow will behold more than you could ever imagine." His advice to the future Auditor was "Work hard to finish the Budget, and don't forget to give everyone their paycheck."

### Superintendent of State Police James Lanhan

James Lanhan earned the position of Superintendent of State Police, and has directed State Police protect and serve Boys State. James traveled from Upshur County to Jackson's Mill, and was a member of Monongalia cottage. His quote for the week was "The difference between a pessimist and a realist is that a realist is optimistic enough to not call himself a pessimist." James had some advice for the future Superintendent of State Police, "Be organized and take command eagerly and efficiently."

### President of Senate Suveer Shekhawat

As President of Senate, Suveer he worked hard to lead senators of the county. Suveer's motto is "Integrity First", "Service before self", and "Excellence is all we do." His advice to someone in his position next would be to listen to everything, and never let your personal opinion get in the way of your job. It is also important to make bills that are sensible, or in other words quality not quantity.

Unfortunately, the Speaker of the House of Representatives did not respond to our requests to complete a biography sheet. We regret the omission.

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